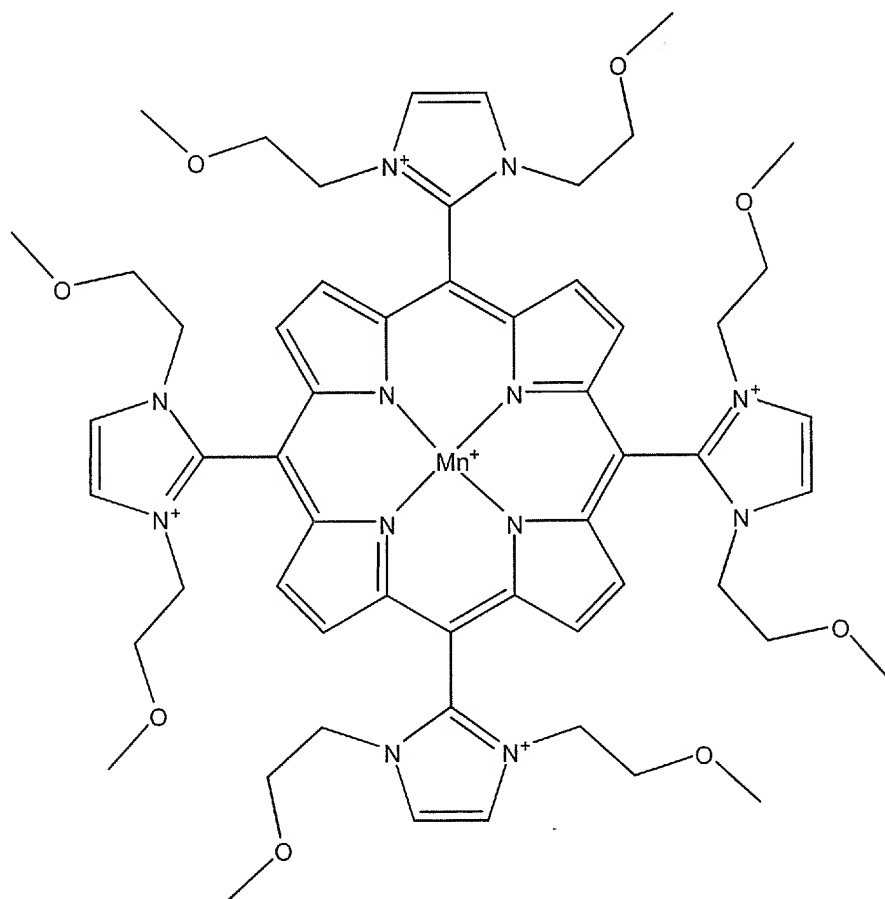


REMARKS

In response to the March 21, 2008 requirement for an election of a **specific** species, Applicant hereby chooses compound **Mn^{III}DMOE-2-ImP³⁺** as shown in **Figure 1** and as set forth below:

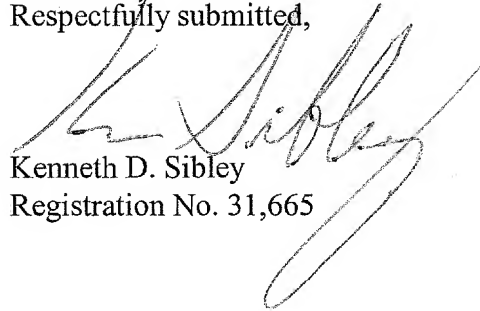


Claims 1, and 3-14 are believed readable on the elected species.

This election is without traverse to the extent that it is understood that, upon the finding of an allowable species, examination will continue with the nonelected species until a generic claim is finally held to be allowable or a nonallowable species is found. It is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for substantive examination and allowance, which action is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'K. Sibley', is written over the typed name and registration number.

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